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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y -(ALL INFO ADDRESSEES ADDED)

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ELAB, CA
SUBJECT: POSTAL WORKERS MOVE TOWARD STRIKE

REF: OTTAWA 3872

1. THE PRESIDENT OF THE 23,000 MEMBER CANADIAN UNION OF
POSTAL WORKERS (CUPW) ANNOUNCED AUGUST 16 THAT THE UNION
HAS WITHDRAWN FROM CONCILIATION TALKS WITH POST OFFICE
OFFICIALS AND WARNED A STRIKE COULD BE CALLED AS EARLY AS
MID-SEPTEMBER.

2. BEFORE MAKING HIS ANNOUNCEMENT, CUPW PRESIDENT JEAN-
CLAUDE PARROT HAD GIVEN NOTICE TO THE CONCILIATORS
REQUESTING THEM TO SUBMIT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
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PUBLIC SERVICE STAFF RELATIONS BOARD (REFTEL). THIS MEANS
THE UNION WILL BE IN A LEGAL POSITION TO STRIKE SEVEN DAYS
AFTER THE CONCILIATORS' RECOMMENDATIONS ARE SUBMITTED.

3. THE PRESS QUOTED PARROT AS SAYING, "... IT IS OBVIOUS
THE EMPLOYER WILL NOT BE PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE UNTIL WE
ACQUIRE OUR RIGHT TO STRIKE." "WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO

HAVE A STRIKE TO GET THEM TO NEGOTIATE SERIOUSLY."

4. POSTMASTER GENERAL LAMONTAGNE SAID HE WAS DISAPPOINTED
AT THE UNION'S ACTION. HIS OFFICE ISSUED A STATEMENT
DENYING THE POST OFFICE WAS TRYING TO ROLL-BACK WAGES AND
ACCUSING THE UNION OF MAKING WAGE AND WORK HOUR DEMANDS
HARDLY CONDUCIVE TO A REASONABLE SETTLEMENT AT THIS TIME.
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